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(C) Foreign Secretary Gyan Chandra Acharya told the Ambassador on April 21 that the Government of Nepal (GON) would welcome U.S. participation on the UN Human Rights Council (UNHRC). Acharya said the GON had been disappointed when the United States, which had been instrumental in reforming the UN's human rights structures, chose not to join the UNHRC from the outset. In response to the Ambassador's request, the Foreign Secretary said he would be pleased to convey the GON's position to Nepal's permanent representative in New York in time for the vote in May.
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